

## INSPECTOR ERWIN ON LOCAL SERVICE

SAN FRANCISCO, December 9.—After a year's trial of the free mail delivery system Honolulu has found that even under the conditions which exist there, the most unique of any district covered by the delivery department, the system is an inestimable benefit and now altogether indispensable. Free delivery was established there on August 13, 1901, and ten carriers were allotted to the service. J. W. Erwin, assistant superintendent of free delivery for the Pacific Coast, returned on the Sierra yesterday and reports that he found it necessary to mount four of the carriers in order that the entire residence portion of the Island City may be covered in one day.

When Erwin went to Honolulu more than a year ago to establish the system to which the volume of postoffice business entitled that city he was not met with enthusiasm. The most unusual conditions prevail there. Every five days a steamer arrives there from "the States." Then the postoffice is overwhelmed with business, and clerks and employees work many hours without rest. With the mail disposed of there was little to do until the arrival of the next steamer, and few people visited the postoffice in the interim. But Erwin saw wherein the service would work a benefit, and he put it in. Now the people see. Upon his present visit, which was occasioned by a report that the facilities must be increased, he was congratulated upon the success of free delivery. It has been a boon, for one thing, for local correspondence. Previously no one went to the postoffice except after a steamer, and drop letters might be five days old before they reached the party to whom addressed. With delivery such mail reaches its destination within a few hours. A volume of local correspondence has sprung up and merchants find it a great convenience. By giving four of the carriers horses the districts can still be covered in a day by ten men.

The matter of rural delivery routes was investigated, but found impracticable at this time, owing mainly to road conditions. A mail route must not be greater than twenty-five miles in length and serve not less than 100 families. A highway for which a route was desired was found to run out of Honolulu, meander for seventy-seven miles, and then suddenly to terminate in Honolulu again.

Erwin says the people of Honolulu eagerly await the opening of the Pacific cable, from which they expect great benefits. The Hawaiian Islands rise and fall with sugar, and the advantages of being put in direct communication with the markets of the world are obvious. It is thought Honolulu will become a famous resort when its wire connections will enable visitors to keep in touch with their home affairs and not depend upon mail which may be many days old when it comes to hand. The way residents regard the future of Honolulu is indicated by the new hotel and business block being erected by Alexander Young on a half-block between King and Hotel streets. It is a magnificent structure, costing more than \$2,000,000, and will be ready for occupancy in the spring.

### BUSINESS LOCALS

Steel polish, shoe polish, metal polish, stove polish and other polish at Hall & Sons.

The Oriental Bazaar is stocked with a full line of Christmas novelties. Open evenings.

Auction sale of toys, dolls, games, etc., today at 10 o'clock at Morgan's salesrooms.

Iridium pictures at twenty-five percent discount at Davey's photo gallery for one week only.

Holiday goods with prices that are right at Honolulu Drug Co. Finest of perfumes displayed.

Orders are now taken for Christmas turkeys, chickens and suckling pigs at the Paragon Market. Phone 104.

Chatelaine bags, all the go now, buy them at the Oriental Bazaar and get the solid silver napkin rings, etc.

Go to Sayegusa, Nuuanu street, for new designs in antimony ware, decorated vases and china ware, wooden trays, etc.

Jordan & Co., Ltd., are closing out their stock of toys at half price. Give their toy room a visit and see for yourself.

Tenders will be received at the office of the Board of Health for supplying the Leper Settlement with ten milch cows.

Christmas and holiday novelties of all kinds at Ehlers & Co. dry goods store. In passing be sure and see their show windows.

The Government dredger as it now lies at the entrance to Pearl Harbor is to be sold at public auction next Wednesday by Jas. F. Morgan.

A. A. Montano, the milliner and dress-maker, will hereafter keep open evenings till 9 o'clock. Order your dresses for the Christmas season now.

All persons having bills or claims against the Judiciary Department are requested to present the same to Henry Smith, the chief clerk, as soon as possible.

Call and inspect the fine stock of trimmed hats at the Wonder Millinery Parlors, Fort street opposite the Convent School. If you are looking for bargains you will find them there.

A six room cottage at 1015 Artesian street is offered for rent. Rental \$30 per month, with water free. Has all modern conveniences and electric lights throughout. See our classified ads.

For the new year why not figure on putting incandescent lamps in your home. They don't cost as much as you probably think. Hawaiian Electric Co. will be pleased to give you an estimate.

In Ozaki's window on Hotel street are displayed many colors of silk scarfs and an old soldier with the armor worn by the soldiers centuries ago. A visit to the store in its holiday attire will interest you.

High Sheriff Brown is preparing his recommendations for the improvement of Oahu Prison. This will include a suggestion that a wing sufficient for forty cells be added, and that an enclosure be built for housing desperate prisoners only.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

Founder's Day will be celebrated at Kamehameha schools today.

Hawaiian Lodge, F. & A. M., meets tonight. Work in third degree.

Motion for default has been made in the case of S. Ozaki vs. Hawaii Land Co.

A message from Hilo yesterday afternoon announced that Bishop Gulstan was improving.

Major Davis received notice in yesterday's mail that he had been ordered to the Philippines.

To the wife of C. B. Danielson, engineer of the Makiki Fire Station, a girl, December 17, 1902.

The contract for the construction of the new reform school was let yesterday to Harry C. Bertleman.

The Japanese fishermen have agreed to stop the use of lights in their sampans when fishing at night.

The World's Fair Bulletin of St. Louis contains an illustration of the proposed Hawaiian building to be built at the exposition.

Judgment has been rendered by Judge Kalua against Solomon Hale for taxes amounting to about \$250 in favor of the Territory. The defendant has appealed to the Supreme Court.

A well attended benefit dance in aid of the Leper's Christmas was held last evening in Progress Hall. A number of tableaux showing scenes of ancient Hawaii were given between dances.

This is the date set for W. W. Dimond & Co.'s grand opening night. Music by the original Hawaiian Quintet Club. All are welcome. The store will be open every evening until Christmas.

News has been received of the death of Mary Elizabeth Comly at Columbus, Ohio, on November 17th. The deceased was the widow of the late General James M. Comly, Minister to Hawaii during the Hayes administration.

W. H. Crawford appeared before Judge Robinson yesterday to answer for contempt. He stated that he could not pay the alimony ordered because he had no money, his fire claims not having been paid. He promised to pay both alimony and attorney's fees and the case went over until Monday.

The Boys' Brigade are having stereopticon shows at the Palama headquarters every Thursday night and on the same evening the Kakaako branch has entertainments in the Kawaiahao church basement. The industrial department is busy turning out canes, calabashes and other things suitable for Christmas gifts.

Appeals to the Circuit Court have been filed in the following cases: J. H. Fisher vs. S. Kube and F. Goudie. Theresa Wilcox vs. Q. H. Berrey, Maria A. Baptista and J. Q. Baptista vs. Lee Jim Cheong, B. T. White vs. M. R. da P. H. Burnette vs. E. Stratemeyer and Yuen Chong, Ella H. Harrison vs. C. H. Pfeiffer.

Wakida, a Japanese who collects garbage in the residence districts, was arrested yesterday forenoon on complaint of Health Inspector James McQueen for violating a health regulation concerning the safe cartage of swill through the streets. Wakida permitted his containers to leak which according to the regulations is a danger to public health.

A pretty and interesting Christmas celebration was held yesterday evening at 6 o'clock at the Castle Memorial Kindergarten which was witnessed by a large number of parents, and friends of the institution. About forty little tots took part in an excellent program which reflected much credit upon the principal, Miss Cross. The celebration displayed to advantage some of the methods of child training. The grounds as well as the building were prettily decorated with Oriental lanterns.

### WORKS OF ART.

Morgan Will Have Special Christmas Evening Sale.

Lovers of art goods will have a chance to see an unusual exhibition tomorrow and Monday, of Paris Exposition articles, in the new Young building, in a room on the ground floor, Hotel street side. From a description given on page 9 today by Jas. F. Morgan, it would appear that some special Exhibition pieces and prizes pieces will be sold to decorate some of the homes of Honolulu's well-to-do citizens. Mr. Morgan states that the highest bidders next Monday night at 7:30 o'clock, will carry off the beautiful articles.

## Handkerchiefs

In Holiday Variety

Come and see how pretty and dainty the patterns are, and at such prices. Our stock means newness, beauty and variety and now is the time to take advantage of choosing from so fine a selection.

15 CENT HANDKERCHIEFS. Pure linen hemstitched with hand embroidered initial. Or \$1.50 dozen.

ANOTHER 15 CENT ONE. Very dainty hemstitched handkerchiefs, embroidered edge.

AT 25 CENTS EACH. Extra good value, hemstitched and embroidered or embroidery edge, equal to many 35 cents qualities.

AT 25 CENTS AND 35 CENTS. A splendid line to select from in lace edge and embroidery trimming.

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS. Fancy borders, hemstitched, special price for the holidays 65 cents per doz.

AT 25 CENTS A BOX. Children's fancy border handkerchiefs. In a fancy box.

AT 35 CENTS A BOX. Children's fancy border handkerchiefs with embroidered initial.

MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS. Pure linen, hemstitched, with handsome embroidered initials, \$2.00 a box.

**N. S. Sachs' DRY GOODS CO., LTD.**  
Cor. Fort and Beretania Streets.

## A Christmas Suggestion

One suitable for both ladies and gentlemen, is a pair of slippers. We have the prettiest and most comfortable kinds from \$1.50 upward, in the most delicate as well as the most substantial leathers.

### Ladies' Suede Slippers

These are exquisitely beautiful, in pretty shades of gray and red, satin cushion lined, and combining grace and comfort.

Prices \$1.25, \$1.50.

### Elks' Slippers

Made of Elk's skin with initials B. P. O. E. and Elk head burned on the toe.

Price \$3.50

**Manufacturers' Shoe Co., Limited.**

1057 FORT STREET.

## Christmas Perfumes

### Special Offer

Perfume is acceptable to ten people out of every ten. We've one of the largest stocks ever imported. Everything that is new and fine can be found here. Until Christmas we will make this special offer: With every \$2.50 worth of perfume we will give free one of our 35c Hawaiian Calendars.

### Christmas Kodaks

Our line of kodaks was never more complete. The new cameras are an improvement over the old in many ways. We would like to show them. Remember, our prices are 20 per cent off the regular catalog figure. We've a fine line of albums, too.

### Our Branch Store

is located in the Sachs' Block, corner of Beretania and Fort, where we carry a complete line of drug-store goods. We have a fine assortment of stationery suitable for the holidays. Our stores are easy to find if you will look for the yellow painted fronts.

## HOBSON DRUG CO

Ehlers' Block, Fort Street  
Sachs' Block, Beretania and Fort

Half-tone and stereo cuts made at the Gazette office. If you have a good photograph you may be sure of a good cut.

## J. C. Axtell

Monumental Works

1048-1050 Alakea street, between King and Hotel. PHONE BLUE 1801.

## MEMORIALS

Latest Designs, Italian Marble, Scotch and American Granite, many sizes, from \$5.00 up. No two designs alike. Iron Safes, different sizes on hand. Another shipment of those "safe things to tie to." Wrought Iron Hitching Posts. You are invited to inspect our stock and compare prices.



## In Selecting Holiday Presents

If you would consider the wishes of your boy, as well as his health and physical development, you should examine our stock of

**Exercisers from \$2 up.**

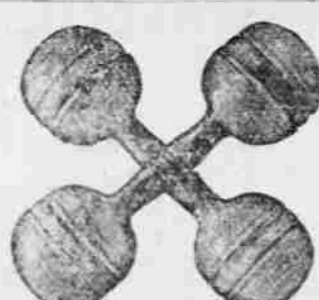
Rifles, 22 Caliber,  
\$3, \$5 and up.



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SWEATERS  
all sizes and styles.



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**Everything that the Boy Wants**

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### Anti-Fly and Antiseptic

Stops flies and gnats and cures all screences. Sixth year of unequalled success. This oil is pronounced the very best on the market.

### No Spray Required

Congo Gnat Oil has been used exclusively by Louisiana sugar planters on their cattle and has given general satisfaction.

Price \$1.00 Per Gallon

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## Suitable 'Xmas Gifts

**In Our Gents' Furnishing Dept.**

### Fancy Socks

Cotton and Lisle Thread....35c to \$1.00 pair.  
Silk.....\$3.00 "

Fancy Silk Suspenders....\$2.50 and \$3.50 pair.  
Pajamas and Nightshirts.

### Bath Robes

Some extreme novelties in Eiderdown.

### Linen Handkerchiefs

Plain White Hemstitched.....  
.....\$2.75, \$4.00, \$5.50, \$7.50 doz.  
Colored Bordered Hemstitched, 3 for....\$1.00.  
Plain White Hemstitched with initials put on, 1/2 doz. in box.....\$2.75 box.  
We have initialed Silk Handkerchiefs.

Real Leather and Alligator Handbags.  
The newest shapes in Dress Suit Cases.

If you want to be in style buy one of our pleated Full Dress Shirts.

**B. F. Ehlers & Co., Ltd.**  
**Fort Street**